PRISON IS NOT TOO GOOD

La Follette Would Be re Upon Those Who Give Rebates.

ES THERE'S NEED FOR CHANGE IN LAW

Bailey Also Holds That Offenders Should Be Punished.

TON, May 10-In connection sideration of the railroad nator LaFollette today atcure the imposition of ime interstate commerce law. d terms from one to five dition to fines from \$1000 to njust discriminations or false is to secure business at less ablished rate. ites Some History.

ttention to the fact that the had removed the imprisonty, he claimed that the effect trapid increase in violations. He expressed the opinion press wanted to make the weffective it would re-imprisonment provision.

liver Will Send Aid. beliver called attention to the there had been no conviction old act, and said that the f made in the Elkins law begeneral opinion in Congress could be accomplished by a litting the imprisonment feartheless, he intended to vote cendment because he believed great representatives of the lerests should be compelled to make respect for the laws as a people.

ald Not Obey Law. at the president of a great pany had said to him that could not be expected to

s statement, saying that if not been enforced the offi-I not been enforced the offi-aw were more to blaime than a; they were, he said, of the far the more culpable. "Re-penalties," he said. "Put two i offenders in prison and their be an example to all of their by will not obey the law, let's the common jail, where they pelled to obey it." o Offers Amendment.

offered an amendment re-penal provisions of the act substitute for Mr. LaFol-

substitute for Mr. LaFol-ment, the discussion Mr. Lodge ac-substitute for his amendment, is y Mr. Stone, restoring the the old law in different form his own.

ange, Is Adopted.

-Stone amendment was vote of 49 to 27, and the samended was then carried 73 to 2, the two negative cast by Senators Gallinger eridge Approves.

can stated that he had pre-salitute embracing the recom-of the commissions, adding cent that icing charges shall in schedule of terminal Mr. Tillman withdrew his in the interest of the Kean Opposition was shown to

Opposition was shown to amendment by Senators ADD: Tillman proceeded with the of the commission's sugges-

Some Controversy.

rsy arose over the commis-tions requiring the schedules o cover the transportation by ell as by rail. Mr. Aldrich stending that the effect was be provisions of the first sec-It was therefore re

ment was agreed to.
In presented, and the Senate
amendment requiring that in
preference shall be given to
tation of troops and muni-

stion of Rebates.

on of rebates paid to shippers ten up. The question arose in sith an amendment offered by jumber, providing that any wing a rebate from a carrier to the extent of three times received. The North Dakota the amendment was intended allopers from continuing their dippers from continuing their demanding discriminations, the great trusts were the enders against this require-ectared that the trusts have In their power, and added: been very careful so far in in not to interfere with them,

ing they are practically re-all the rebates." d his provision so as also to senalty of imprisonment. ent was agreed to without

corporation or company who corporation or company who property for interstate transported to the common carrier, subject to the this act, or for whom, as common carrier, subject to the this act, or for whom, as common carrier, subject to the this act, or for whom, as common carrier and such extra who shall knowingly or indirectly, by or through any to indirectly, by or through any or indirectly, by or through any indirectly and such property, as faxed by or such property, as faxed by any of such property, as faxed by any of such property, as faxed by any of such of fraud, which is here in the real subjected to a fine equal to three so received or after such of the real sourt, and in the trial said such rebates or other considerations so received and shall be three times the total considerations so received and shall not apply to rebate of this act.

For the time the passage of this act. its text:

for dident Will Attend.

PON. May 10.—President Il attend the formal opening town exposition April 26, 1906, ver an address on that occa-

AGED MAN CHARGED WITH VILE CRIME

Citizen of Weiser, Idaho, Is Accused of Assault Upon Mere Child.

WEISER, Ida., May 10.-M. J. McDernott, more than 50 years of age, was arrested in this city last evening, charged with criminal asault upon the six-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ingle-bretsen of this city. Mr. Inglebretsen is section foreman for the Oregon Short Line ratiroad.

Child Was in Fear.

The crime was committed Monday afternoon in a cabin occupied by McDermott near the Oregon Short Line pump house, and for fear of being punished, the little one told no one of the matter until Wednesday afternoon, when her sufferings became unbearable and she in-formed her mother.

Father Was Frenzied.

McDermott was at once arrested and placed in the county jail. While in charge of an officer, the father of the little one attempted to kill him.

Talk of Lynching.

Last night there was strong talk of lynching and the jall was guarded. Mc-Dermott will have a preliminary hearing tomorrow

The child is in a serious condition and is being attended by two physicians. Mc-Dermott is a shoemaker.

IN EARTHQUAKE ZONE

Expert Discusses Dangerous Situation of San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, May 10—'San Francisco is in direct line with an earthquake zone which extends along the Andes mountains in South America, to the Arctic regions, and my judgment is that no structure exceeding six stories in height ought to be erected in that city."

Speaks From Experience.

Captain William L. Merry, American Minister to Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Salvador, expressed this opinion at the White House today. Minister Merry, who recently arrived in this country from his post, on leave of absence, called at the White House with Senator Perkins of California to pay his respects to the President. He was one of the early settlers in California, rounding Cape Horn in 1842. He said.

Familiar With Shocks.

"In the countries where I have been stationed for many years we experience four or five earthquake shocks every month. As a rule they are not severe, but the people are a bit nervous about them, notwithstanding their frequency. The people sometimes run into the streets and kneel down in prayer, but a few minutes afterward they resume their usual avocations. Most of the buildings are only one story high and the severest shocks do not materially affect them.

Should Learn the Lesson.

Should Learn the Lesson. Should Learn the Lesson.

The people of San Francisco ought to profit by their dreadful experience and construct buildings which may not be likely to be damaged seriously by earthquake. It matters not practically, that the frames of the structures are of powerful steel if the foundations sink four or five feet, as was the case in many instances in San Francisco.

Minister Merry will leave for San Francisco tomorrow. He told the President that conditions in Central America were improving greatly, the improvement being due largely to the extension of the facilities for education of the people.

VALUABLE RECORDS GONE

Documents of Firemen's Fund Insurance Company Were Destroyed.

An FRANCISCO, May 10.—The Fireman's Pund Insurance company has discovered that the vauit containing all the records of its insurance business done in San Francisco has been destroyed. The falling of an immense steel girder, which broke off a corner of the vauit gave the fire easy access to the records, including all policies, maps, etc. President Dutton has made a statement saying steps have been taken by the company to meet the new conditions created by the destruction of the fire.

Will Form New Company.

A new company, to be known as the Fire A new company, to be known as the Fire-man's Fund Insurance corporation, is to be formed as soon as legal holidays cease and in-corporation can be effected. The new corpo-ration will have a million dollars of capital and a militon dollars surplus, thus insuring, according to President Dutton, complete shil-ity to meet every cutstanding obligation, as the million dollars capital and million dollars surplus is in addition to the assets of the old company, included in the new corporation es-timated at \$5,000,000.

MAY AID PRISONERS

Destroying of Criminal Records in 'Frisco Sets Some Free.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 19.—It is probable that the destruction of most of the criminal records and the present unsettled conditions will result in many of those now held in the county juil on various serious charges being placed on probation to work out their salvation. This is illustrated in the cases of Harry Sheehan and John Condon, who, before the surthquake, were facing the penitentiary.

Face Serious Charge.

Both these men are charged with attem o commit robbery and attempt to comm murder.

Condon was tried, but the jury disagreed on the evidence. The District Attorney now believes that there is little chance of a conviction with the records gone. Attorney O'Connor, who represents Sheahn. explained to the court that all the relatives of his client were burned out of their homes, and were camped in the parks, where they were very much in need of a man's support.

ROBBERS SURROUNDED

No Chance for Men to Escape Is the Report.

VANCOUVER, R. C. May 10.—The train robbers are surrounded in the woods near Campbell's Meadow, southwest of Kamloope. Sheriff Wood sent a messenger to town this afternoon for more Indians to assist in the capture. The messenger declares that there is no chance for the robbers to escape. There are more than 100 men in the posse. It is believed here that there will be fighting before the robbers are captured.

Des Moines Bank Fails.

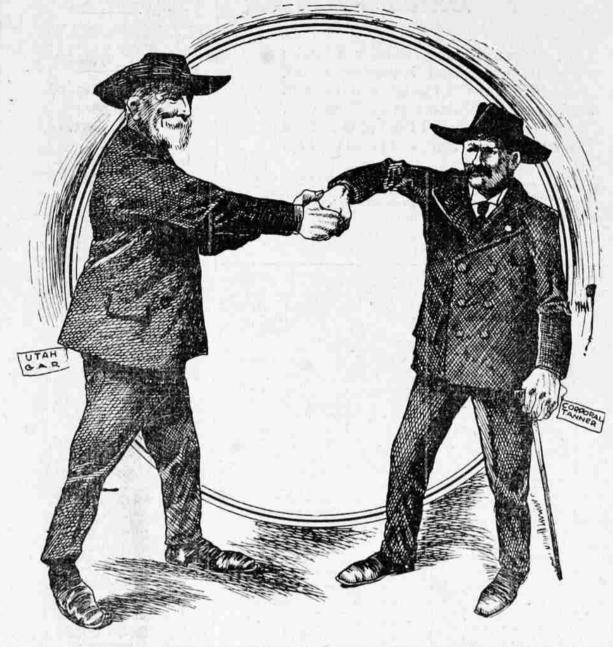
DES MOINES 1a. May 10.—The Bank of Thornton, owned by a co-partnership of J. D. Barlow and G. L. Ehlers, made an assign-ment today for the benefit of its creditors. E. G. Downing of Mason City is the assignee. The liabilities are said to be about \$40,000.

Dock Hands Report

BUFFALO N. Y. May 10—In accordance with the agreement reached at Cleveland last evening, all the workers on the docks reported for duty today. It will require about ten days to clear up the congested condition of the harbor. Ready to Go Back. HAMBURG, May 10.—The locked dockyard laborers have decided to permission to resume work.

WELCOME, CORPORAL TANNER!

SALT LAKE CITY, UTH, FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 11, 1906.



OBSTRUCTION BARS THE WAY

Track-Laying on Western Pacific Will Begin Before Close of Week.

ERECTION OF NEW DEPOT WILL BEGIN AT ONCE

Will Be a Colossal Terminal ing the members to come forward and and Handsomest West of Chicago.

As stated in The Tribune a week ago, no obstruction or obstacle will in any way bar the progress of the construction of the Western Pacific at this end of the line. On the contrary, work proceeds apace, and if track laying is not commenced today it will be before the end of the week.

Talk of Obstruction Nonsense.

The talk of "y's" and "v's" and "tugsof-war" is just so much absolute or-war is just so much absolute honsense, and totally without any foundation in fact. A walk of several miles over the grade yesterday shows the work well advanced. Thursday afternoon the last vestige of the last house on the right-of-way at Sixth West was removed, and the grade is now up to the Rio Grande main track on that thoroughfare.

Rails Being Unloaded.

A few yards east of the Western Pa-cific's bridge across the Jordan, now comcific's bridge across the Jordan, now completed, a car of rails was being unloaded on a short spur from the San Pedro main freight track, which runs went to the smelters at Garfield. The intention is to begin laying track at this point east toward the city, joining the main track of the Rio Grande on Sixth West and within a few yards of the corner of First South street. With this completed, material can then be conveyed along the track to the point of construction as the road progresses, thus expediting the work of construction.

Erection of New Depot.

Information was also received yesterday from an authoritative source that within thirty days actual work will commence on the joint depot of the new road and the Rio Grande on Fourth West and Third South streets. The plans are prepared and are now in New York, and have been accepted by the officials there. It is quietly given out that the erection of the depot will occupy as long a period as the construction of the road.

Depot a Colossal Structure.

Depot a Golossal Structure.

The depot will start about the middle of the block on Fourth West and Second and Third South, and extend to the middle of the block between Third and Fourth South. It will be a colossal structure, with a large dome-shaped roof, and cover seven tracks. The statement is made that 'it will be one of the finest and handsomest terminals west of Chicago, and to say this is a sufficient guarantee of its splendor and completeness.

Vesuvius Still Active

NAPLES. May 10—The fresh eruption of Mount Vesuvius continues, although it is of small proportions. However, the de-tonations are so loud that there is a gen-eral fear that new lava streams are about to appear.

Milwaukee Gets Plum.

CINCINNATI, May 19—Milwaukee was selected as the next convention city for the Telegraphers' union of America at the convention of that body here today. The Insurance idea has been adopted

WILL MAKE REPLY TO SPEECH FROM THRONE

Lower House of Russian Parliament Is Stirred to Great Enthusiasm.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 10.-The lowder at 5 p. m. by Baron Frisch and Baron Uexkull, Secretary of the Empire, with the hall from half to two-thirds filled. Baron Frisch read an imperial ukase convoking Parliament and invitsign the oath. A recess was then taken.

Immediately upon the reconvening of the house, Prof. Sergel Andraievitch Mourmtseff was elected president by a vote of 426 to 7. The announcement was greeted with tremendous cheers.

Prof. Mourmtseff immediately took the chair. Ivan Petrunkevitch then ascended the tribune and aroused the house to a frenzy of enthusiasm by declaring in a brief speech that the first words to be pronounced in an assembly of representatives of the Russian people should be freedom and a demand for the amnesty of those who had fought for the cause.

No Use for Outsiders.

There were some cries for the imme diate passage of a resolution on the sub-ject, but President Mourmtseff called the ject, but President Mourmiseff called the assembly to order to listen to his speech of acceptance. Before beginning, however, he again brought the members to their feet by calling attention to the fact that there were many people in the hall who had no right to be present, and asking them to retire. This was a thrust at the Government clerks, who lined the walls and it brought down the hous. The cheering continued while the intruiere walked crestfallen out of the chamber.

Faces Great Task.

President Mourntseff's speech was very brief, simply calling attention to the great task before the members and the neces-sity of earnestly laboring for the welfare of the country.

It was then decided by a practically unanimous vote to make a reply to the speech from the throne.

At 6.30 o'clock, after having been in session an hour and a half, the house adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

MAY COOK INDOORS

Residents of San Francisco Will Soon Have Gas Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.-The com-SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—The committee on lighting and electricity has received information from the San Francisco Ghs and Electric company, which gives assurance that fully one-half of the residents of the unburned district will be residents of the unburned district will be able to cook their meals indoors within the next few days. A thorough inspection of all gas pipes and connections will be started today.

The officers of the gas company report that there are still 37.500 connections with the mains in this city, and feel confident that the great majority of these connections are uninjured.

Ironsides Mill Burns.

BOISE, Ida. May 10.—The mill of the Ironsides Mining company in the Black Hornet district was burned at an early hour this morning, involving a loss of £20,000. The fire is supposed to be incendiary. The mill was not in operation, but was to have been started again in a few days.

Will Retain Position.

WASHINGTON, May 10 -At the direc-tion of the President, Rear Admiral Con-verse, chief of the bureau of navigation, who will go on the retired list on the 13th inst., will remain in his present capacity after retirement. ofter retirement.

Reports Armenian Massacre.

LONDON, May II - The correspondent at Constantinople of the Daily Telegraph reports that in fighting between Turks and Armenians at Cassarea, seventy-five Armenians were killed.

LIGHT SHED ON INSURANCE GRAFT

Former President of Northwestern Life Tells Startling Story.

RECOUNTS INSTANCES OF BRIBING COMMISSIONER

Large Sums, He Says, were Spent on Legislation for "Good Will."

MINNEAPOLIS, May 10 .- The attorneys tomorrow will begin their summing up in the case of the State vs. W. F. Bech-tel, former president of the Northwestern National Life Insurance company, who is charged with grand larceny in having appropriated to his own use \$3500 of the funds of the company. The cross-examination of Mr. Bechtel completed at such a late hour today that the court ordered an adjournment until tomorrow before permitting the attorneys to begin their arguments.

Sensational Testimony.

The testimony given by Mr. Bechtel in his direct examination and the information elicited from the witness on crossexamination by Attorney Dahl was sen sational in the extreme. The charge Mr Bechtel made that a former insurance commissioner of Minnesota had accepted a bribe of \$5000 for a favorable report on the proposed consolidation of the Northwestern Mutual and National Life association has been considered by the grand ciation has been considered by the gra-jury which brought the indictme against Mr. Bechtel, and in its report to grand jury severely reprobated the leged conduct of the insurance commisioner, but said that he was exempt fro prosecution because of the statute limitations.

Reached Large Sum

The amounts paid through Mr. Bechtel for the "reimbursement" of Dr. J. F. Force, former president of the National Life association, according to testimony brought out, aggregate \$113,500, of which no record is found in the Northwestern National's books.

Robbed the Stockholders

Other sensational statements made be Sechtel while on the stand related t Bechtel while on the stand related personal profits made by transactio supposedly carried on for the benefit company The company contracted the company. The company but instead to reinsure an lown company but instead of doing it Bechtel turned the contract over to a California company at a profit \$40,000 Came Easy.

The Minneapolis auditorium building, which the Northwestern National Life erected also was gone into, and it was shown that Eschtel owned the site selected for the building and that it was sold to the company at a high profit to Bechtel of \$40,000. Kept No Record.

Mr. Bechtel was cross-examined at the afternoon session. He said he kept no record of the funds of the company in record of the funds of the company in relation to his personal accounts. He per-sisted in maintaining that the \$3500 had been used in the company's services, and that he had simply reimbursed himself for a legitimate expenditure Spent for "Good Will." Attorney Dahl introduced a letter writ-ten by Bechtel to Albert H. Reed of Colorado, in which he made the statement that he had used the \$500 to reimburse himself for money be had paid for the good of the company as legislative ex-

enses during a session of the Legisla

MUST GO INTO OPEN MARKET FOR GOODS

House Passes Bill Changing Methods of Purchase by Navy Department.

WASHINGTON, May 10.-Shells and projectiles for the Navy department will, ifter June 20, 1906, be purchased by the Bureau of Ordnance in the open market, instead of, as is now the practice, in se ret markets, from firms engaged in the manufacture of these articles. This change n existing conditions was brought about through the efforts of the chairman of the Appropriations committee.

Advertise for Bids. Mr. Tawney of Minnesota offered an amendment to the Naval Appropriation bill, which the House had under consideration today, directing that the Secretary of the Navy should advertise for proposals for shells and projectiles, so that all firms engaged in the business of their manufacture may have an opportunity to compete.

To Protect Minors

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Much time was spent today in considering the question of enlistments in the Navy and the feature of recruiting officers to properly enforce the law as to minors. An amendment offered by Mr. Keilher of Massachusetts was adopted prohibiting naval recruiting officers from enlisting seamen, ordinary seamen or appointees unless their application is accompanied by a certificate of the birth and written evidence other than the applicant's own statement that he is of the age required by naval regulations.

Had Hot Debate.

Had Hot Debate. The debate on this amendment at times grew decidedly animated and a bit acri-

monious.

After defeating amendments designed to enlarge the Washington, D. C., navy yard and the yards in Pensocola, Fia. at 5:15 p. m. adjourned until noon tomorrow, having completed but few pages of the Naval Appropriation bill.

PLAN SKYSCRAPERS New Buildings in San Francisco Will

Likely Be High. SAN FRANCISCO. May 10.—If the views of the sub-committee on building law prevails, the height of the class A buildings within the fire limits hereafter to be determined, will be limited only by economic and engineering considerations. This much was decided at a meeting of the committee today. F. H. Porter, who represents the insurance interests, pointed out that class A buildings, in so far as insurance matters were concerned, were divided into two divisions, namely, those intended for office purposes and those intended for mercantile and warehouse purposes.

Limitations Considered. While it would be all right to take the limitation off of all buildings intended for office purposes, it was quite another matter where the structures were designed for the storage of great weights of combustible materials. The spaces in these latter buildings were invariably more open than in office buildings, and gave free sweep to the flames; whereas in office buildings fire might be confined to one or more small rooms, not to mention the danger to the buildings occasioned by the weights resting on the supports.

Only One Restriction. "As far as engineering problems are concerned," said J. D. Galloway, "we can build as high as we please—higher than economic conditions would warrant. The only engineering limit is the amount of weight the base upon which the building is crected would stand.

Points Out Danger. "Thus I know of one building in San Francisco resting upon a foundation of sand which has a weight of eight tons to the square foot. I think this too much, and the best authorities agree that the limit of weight on such a foundation should not be above four tons to the square foot."

RAILROAD INDICTED

Branch of Santa Fe Accused of Rebate

Discrimination. ROSWELL, N. M., May 10.—The Pecos Valley Rallroad company, a branch of the Santa Fe road, has been indicted by the Federal grand jury on the charge of giving rebates to wool shippers and refusing the same treatment to other shippers.

Warehouse and storage charges were paid, it is alleged by the railway company to induce certain shippers to ship wool over the lines of the same treatment. paid, it is alleged by the rallway com-pany to induce certain shippers to ship wool over the lines of the company. The shippers named as receiving rebates are Charles Bremond and G. C. Martin. The indictment is based on the Elkins law.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

Daughter of Mrs. Jefferson Davis Ig-

norant of Mother's Illness. COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., May 19.—Mrs.
J. A. Hayes, a daughter of Mrs. Jefferson
Davis, today received a letter from her mother stating that she was in her usual good
health. She has received no reply to personal telegrams sent this merning upon learning the report of her mother's filness.
In view of the receipt of the letter Mrs.
Hayes says her mother's filness, it actual, is
very sudden.

Big Fire in Havana,

HAVANA, May 10.—Fire in the heart of the city of Pinar del Rio this afternoon wept one entire square and part of an-ther. The fire could not be checked un-il some buildings were blown up with tynamite. The loss is estimated at \$400.—

Detachment Reported Lost

DURBAN, Natal, May 10—According to a report which reached here the Natal Riftes have met with a disaster at Help-makar, in which a detachment of fifty men was cut up. The report is regarded

Calls Kentuckians Home

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 10.—Gov. Beckhain today issued a proclamation summoring the 00,000 ex-Kentuckians now residing in other States to return to Louisville for "home coming week." June 12 to 17.

Many Die With Cholera.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., May 10.—During the voyage of the steamer Faulk from India to Suva, Fiji islands, 124 coolies were taken sick with cholera and sixty-

Heavy Frost in South. DECATUR, Aia, May 10.—There was another heavy frost last night in the Tenneases river valley. In some places, it is said, the entire cotton crop will have to be replanted.

Prominent Lawyer Dies. PRESCOTT, Artz., May 10 John C. Hern-don, an eminent lawyer of the Territory and ex-member of the Territorial Counsel, died today, aged 72.

CZAR'S SPEECH NOT **WELL RECEIVED**

Only Courtiers and Officers Cheer the Address From the Throne.

PARLIAMENT OPENED IN DISPLAY OF SPLENDOR

Lower House Will Make Formal Reply to the Views of Ruler.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 10 .- Without a single hitch and with only a minor incident to mar the memorable day, the Russian Parliament was inaugurated today. The weather was superb and the stage agreement of impressive ceremony at the Winter Palace, where Emperor Nicholas, surrounded by countlers and all the pomp and and panoply of power, delivered the speech from the throne to the members of the two houses, was per-

Hardly Satisfactory.

The message in reality was less a throne speech than a greeting, and required only three minutes for its delivery. Emperor Nicholas read slowly. The admirable and even cordial tone of the sovereign in renewing his pledges and asking the co-operation of Parliament for the regeneration of the country was only negatively satisfactory.

Members Were Silent,

Courtiers and spectators other than members of the National Parliament led the cheering but the members were ominously silent, expressing neither approval nor disapproval. What rankied most was the failure of the Emperor to mention amnesty, and later, when the members assembled in the Taurido palace, away from the spell of the throne room, many of them were with difficulty restrained from precipitating matters by offering resolutions on the subject.

Will Make Answer. Will Make Answer. The Constitutional Democratic leaders, however, who dominated everything, were anxious not to weaken the reply which the lower house will prepare to the speech from the throne, in which issues with the crown will be joined, and succeeded in staving off premature action.

The scene around the Tauride palace was in striking contrast with that at the Winter palace. Each, indeed, was typical and told an eloquent etory. At the Tauride palace tens of thousands of people were acclaiming their representatives; at the Winter palace legions of military and courtiers by the hundreds cheered for the Emperor. Nevertheless the proceedings of the lower house were not spectroular; in fact, they were almost tame in comparison with those at the Winter palace. Contrast in Scenes.

First Thought of Liberty. First Thought of Liberty.

The only genuine flashes of fire which showed the real temper of the members of the house were when Prof. Mouromtzeff, who had been elected president of the lower house, invited Government officials and clerks to leave the hall, and when I van Petrunkevich, in a few eloquent words from the rostrum, told the auditors that the first thought of the Parliament should be for those who had suffered in the cause of liberty, who now filled the prisons and whose arms were stretched out in hope and confidence to the people's representatives.

Cheers Were Genuine.

Cheers Were Genuine.

More enthusiastic cheering than that which greeted this appeal never was heard in a political convention in the United States. Constitution and amnesty were the keynotes of President Mouromt zeff's speech Dream Realized.

By the irony of fate Ivan Petrunkevich, whose first mention of the word
constitution twelve years ago was dismissed by Emperor Nicholas II, as "a
foolish dream," today stood in the front
rank of the members of the representative chamber while Emperor Nicholas
put his final seal upon the Russian Parliament and begged the representative
of the people to co-operate with him in
working for the welfare of the country.

Considering the Answer. Considering the Answer. The lower house of the Parliament adjourned over until tomorrow in order not to interfere with the opening exercises of the Council of the Empire, and also to permit the committee of the Constitutional Democrats to consider the reply to the speech from the throne.

Dispatches received here from all parts of Russia indicate that the opening of the Parliament was celebrated everywhere.

where. Every Word Heard, In delivering his address the Emperor spoke with a firm, steady voice, which was heard distinctly in every corner of the hall, emphasizing deliberately every word. Such a hush fell on the assembly during the reading that the snap of a camera shuttor was sharply audible.

The Emperor said:

Address of Emperor.

The supreme providence which gave me the care of our Fatherland has moved me to call to my assistance in legislative work elected representatives of the people. In the expectation of a brilliant future for Russia, I greet in your persons the best men from the empire, whom I ordered my beloved subjects to choose from among themselves.

A difficult work lies before you, I trust that love for your Fatherland and your earnest desire to serve it will inspire and units you.

Trusts His People.

Trusts His People.

I shall keep inviolate the institutions which I have granted with the firm assurance that you will devote all your attength to the services of your country and especially to the needs of the peasantry, which are so close to my heart and to the education of the people and their economical welfare, remembering that to the dignity and prosperity of the State not only freedom, but order founded upon justice, is necessary. is necessary

I dealer from my heart to see my people
happy and hand down to my son an empire
secure, well organized and enlightened.

Asks God's Blessing.

May God bless the work that lies before me in unity with the council of the empire and the imperial douma. May this day be the day of the moral revival of Russia and the day for the renewal of its highest forces.

Approach with solemnity the labors for which I call you and be worthy of the responsibility put upon you by the Emperor and people.

May God assist us Courtiers Cheer.

The reading of the speech from the throne was not broken by the slightest attempt at applause, but the minute the Emperor finished, bowed to the members of Parliament, and placed his foot on the step of the dais to descend, a long cheer broke forth which almost drowned the strains of the national anthem. "God Save the Emperor," which the orchestra in the balcony played while the proces-